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REFERENCE: 09/704,556

COMMENTS: Attached please an Amendment and Amendment Transmittal Letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions.

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| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | APPLICANT Kwitek | |
| SERIAL NO. 09/704,556 | FILING DATE 11/03/00 | EXAMINER Prunner | ART UNIT 3751 |
| TITLE: VISCOELASTIC GRIP FOR A WRITING IMPLEMENT | | | |

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established.
- Power of Attorney.
- Please charge additional claim fees to Deposit Account No. 01-2221 .
- Any additional extension and/or fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2221.
- No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments)-If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply

(complete (A) or (B) as applicable)

A. _____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:

| Extension (Months) | Fee for other than small entity | Fee for small entity |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| one month | \$ 110.00 | \$ 55.00 |
| two months | 390.00 | 195.00 |
| three months | 930.00 | 465.00 |
| four months | 1,470.00 | 735.00 |

Fee \$ _____

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If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$_____

OR

B. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

(1)

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(3)

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| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA |
|---|---|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| TOTAL | * 10 | MINUS | ** 20 | |
| INDEP | * 1 | MINUS | *** 3 | |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP CLAIM | | | | |

| RATE | ADDIT FEE |
|---------|--------------|
| x\$ 9= | \$ |
| x\$ 42= | \$ 42 |
| x\$140= | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ 42 |

| RATE | ADDIT FEE |
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| x\$ 18= | \$ |
| x\$ 84= | \$ |
| x\$280= | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ |

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".

*** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".

The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total of Indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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